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SUBJECT: GOTT MISQUOTED ON CUBAN INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA

REF: A) POS 3043; B) POS 3094

1. USIA WIRELESS FILE ARF-74 FOR JANUARY 2 CARRIED TEXT OF "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR" ARTICLE OF SAME DATE WHICH QUOTED A "SPOKESMAN FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN TRINIDAD" AS SAYING "IF CUBA WANTED THIS (GROWING TIES BETWEEN CUBA AND THE CARIBBEAN) TO CONTINUE, THEN THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN STOPPED BEFORE IT GOT STARTED." THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS HAS DENIED THAT ANYONE SPEAKING FOR THE GOTT MADE SUCH A STATEMENT AND NOTHING ALONG THESE LINES HAS APPEARED IN THE LOCAL MEDIA. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING SOURCE FOR "MONITOR" QUOTE.

2. EMBASSY THEREFORE REQUESTS THAT USG OFFICIALS NOT
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REFER TO ALLEGED STATEMENT DIRECTLY OR USE IT AS GENERAL

INDICATION OF THE GOTT'S ATTITUDE TOWARD CUBA AS THE
RESULT OF ITS INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA.

3. GOTT HAS ISSUED ONLY TWO PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON CUBAN
INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA; THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT CUBAN ARMY
PLANES WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO REFUEL IN TRINIDAD (REF A)
AND THE DENIAL BY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CUTHBERT
JOSEPH OF ANY KNOWLEDGE OF A POSSIBLE VISIT TO TRINIDAD
BY THE TOURING MPLA DELEGATION (REFB).RICH

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